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SUBJECT: TEXTILE AGREEMENT-REQUEST FOR INCREASE IN CONSULTATION LEVELS

BY MEANS OF LETTER FROM MINISTRY OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY, GOM
HAS REQUESTED INCREASE IN CONSULTATION LEVELS FOR CATEGORY
116/117. SUBSTANTIVE TEXT OF LETTER AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE
I HAVE THE HONOUR TO REFER TO THE AGREEMENT RELATING TO
TRADE IN COTTON, WOOL AND MAN-MADE FIBRES TEXTILE AND TEXTILE
PRODUCTS BETWEEN MALAYSIA AND THE U.S.A. I WISH TO INFORM
YOU THAT A FEW MALAYSIAN COMPANIES PRODUCING ITEMS 116/117
I.E. KNITWEAR APPARELS N.E.S. VALUED BELOW AND OVER \$5.00
PER POUND ARE FACING DIFFICULTIES IF VIEW OF THE SHORTAGE OF
QUOTAS. I ALSO WISH TO REFER TO ARTICLE 8(A) OF THE SAID
AGREEMENT THAT THE MINIMUM CONSULTATION LEVEL FOR THESE
CATEGORIES IS 102,010 SQUARE YARDS. THIS LEVEL IS FOUND TO
BE FAR BELOW THE CAPACITY OF THE MALAYSIAN EXPORTER.
THEREFORE I WOULD BE VERY GRATEFUL IF YOU COULD KINDLY
TRANSMIT TO YOUR AUTHORITIES IN WASHINGTON D.C. THE
WISHES OF THE MALAYSIAN GOVERNMENT TO SEEK AN INCREASE
FOR THESE CATEGORIES TO A CERTAIN LEVEL TO MEET THE
REQUIREMENTS OF THE MALAYSIAN EXPORTERS. IN THIS
RESPECT I WISH TO INFORM YOU THAT THE LEVEL FOR GROUP
III HAS NOT BEEN FULLY UTILISED IN THE PAST YEARS, END QUOTE
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2. MINISTRY TRADE AND INDUSTRY OFFICIAL

SAID THAT IN GROUP III, CATEGORY 121 IS BEING UTILIZED AND
CATEGORY 116/117 IS THE MOST ACTIVE. ACCORDING OFFICIAL,
MALAYSIAN COMPANIES HAVE FIRM ORDERS FULFILMENT OF
WHICH REQUIRE 169,300 SQUARE YARD EQUIVALENT ADDITIONAL
QUOTA TO CATEGORY 116/117 ABOVE CONSULTATION LEVEL OF

102,010 SQUARE YARDS. OFFICIALS SAID THAT THERE WAS NO PERFORMANCE AT ALL IN THE OTHER CATEGORIES UNDER GROUP III AND THAT QUOTAS IN THESE NON-UTILIZED GROUP III CATEGORIES COULD BE REACHED IF THIS WOULD FACILITATE INCREASE IN CATEGORY 116/117.

4. PLEASE ADVISE.
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